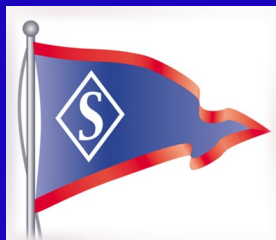


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NEWSLETTER

Sportsmen Yacht Club



Commodore Neal Draper

If you missed the Crab Feed on February 22nd, you missed an amazing dinner put on by Robert and Denise Babo. We ate some of the best tasting fresh Crab, some of the best homemade Clam Chowder and some of the best Pasta I think I have ever eaten. This is the third year Robert and Denise have put on the Crab Feed and I have to say they have gotten better each year. There were an amazing amount of raffle prizes to be won also.

The annual Crab Feed is our largest event at Sportsmen Yacht Club and takes an incredible amount of help to pull off. It all starts with hours of planning and organization by Robert and Denise. Then Lonnie Gibson picks up the crab, something he has been doing for as long as I can remember.

I would like to personally thank the following folks for their help with this event:

Bobby and Angel Brown, Nick and Anne Macey, Bob and Janet Buckley, Mike and Jana Minick, Don & Becky Wilson, John and Janene Francisco, Dale and Debbie Bauer, Matt and Marianne Tate, Freda Lucido, Ann English, Roger Lund, Melissa Kettler, Cynthia Perez, Jenny Comages, Dan Gorman, Sean Boyd, Terri Barton and Elena Draper.

Special thanks also go to our servers: Logan and Alaina Brown, Sara Macey and Hanna Underwood.

Even after all the hard work putting on the event and the clean-up that was done Saturday night after the event, Mike and Jana Minick and Elena Draper removed all the trash and recyclables, cleaned and

mopped the bar and boxed up all the decorations and stored them downstairs. I cannot express my gratitude enough for all the hard work that the members contribute to our Club.

Although Ebony Boat Club did not cruise-in to Sportsmen in February, nine of their members did join us for the Crab Feed. This is a great club that we are always happy to come and join us.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming events this month. We will be having our St. Patrick's Day celebration on March 14th. This year Dr. Dan Lively will be helping

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**"Onboard in
2020!"**



Vice Commodore Mike Minick

February was a busy month! First off was the Super Bowl Party with a very good turnout and lots of great food!

We also had quite a few members enter the Super Bowl Sturgeon Derby. Unfortunately the only things hitting were the sand bars! (For me anyways.) It was very reassuring to know there were many Sportsmen friends nearby, ready and willing to give a helping

hand. And I thank all of you!

Then, we had our famous Crab Feed with some of the Ebony Boat Club members attending. Robert & Denise Babo headed up this event and, by all accounts, "it was spectacular!" Just one more of the many benefits of being a member of such an awesome Club!

The February work party was one of the best we have had in awhile and

many projects were worked on and are closer to completion. Thanks to 25+ members who showed up and helped. The lunch whipped up by Dr. Dan and crew was fantastic!

As for March, we are looking forward to our Saint Patrick's Day dinner on the 14th and Game Night on the 27th. If you haven't placed your reservations for the Saint Patrick's dinner yet, please do so as soon as

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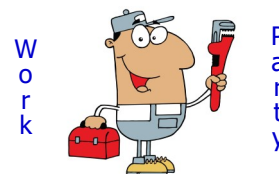
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St. Patrick's Dinner



Saturday, March 7th

FRIDAY MEETING NIGHT SPECIAL

THIS MONTH'S DINNER PREPARED BY
ROY GARNER & CREW—DESSERT BY JANET



\$10

Limited to the first 60
reservations.

Make your reservations
ONLINE or
contact Ann at 779-9330
as soon as possible!

Please Note: Ann always replies with a confirmation for ONLINE reservations. If you don't receive your confirmation within 48 hours, please email her at reservations@sportsmenyc.org or call her at 779-9330.

Volunteers are needed to cook for the
2020 Friday Night Meeting Dinners.
Please contact Ann for details (779-9330)

Cancellation of reservations for an event must be made at least three (3) days prior to the event to avoid being charged for the event. Please notify Ann English at 925.779.9330 if you need to cancel your reservations.
(This policy does not apply to cancellations made because of an emergency.)

In accordance with our By-Laws, Article V, A-4, the following notice will be posted in this Newsletter monthly:
The regular meetings of the Board of Directors are held on the first Friday of each month, following the General Membership Meetings.
If the first Friday is a holiday weekend, the meetings are held on the second Friday of that month.

Your ideas and suggestions for this Newsletter are welcome!

Articles are due by the 20th of each month.
Email: newslettereditor@sportsmenyc.org
or contact Freda Lucido at 228.3609

Sportsmen YC's Upcoming Events

March

6 Club Meeting & Dinner
7 Work Party
14 St. Patrick's Dinner
27 Game Night

April

3 Club Meeting & Dinner
4 Work Party
4 Opening Day
11 Easter Egg Hunt &
Breakfast Brunch
17-19 Cruise-Out, Marina West
YC at Oxbow
24 Game Night

View the complete 2020 Calendar ONLINE!

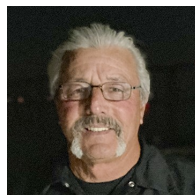
Welcome Associate Members



Sean Boyd.

Sponsors: Jim Vicknair
Neal Draper

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Tom Sanders

Sponsors: William Odum
Gary Fields

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Mike & Melanie Silva

Sponsors: William Odum
Mike Minick

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Bobby and Angel Brown put on this dinner. There is still time to make a reservation, so get on the Club's web site and get those reservations in to Ann English.

I want to remind everyone that "Boys' Night Out" is now a regular Club event every Wednesday. Dan Gorman is now coordinating the BNO dinner. If you would like to prepare a dinner, or help out in any way, please get a hold of Dan.

You can see March is going to be a busy month. Take advantage of the upcoming events and get down to Sportsmen Yacht Club. Remember, you get out of our Club what you put into it.

(Vice Commodore's article continued from page 1)

possible so you don't miss out on this event.

Thanks to everyone for their continuous support to make this Club a better place! See you around the Club!

Want to use the Club's Facilities for an event you're planning? Here are the steps:

1. Check date availability on the Club's calendar on our Website.
2. Complete the Contract for Use of Facilities form—Available on the Website.
3. Submit the form with your check to our Rear Commodore Heather Newton.



Rear Commodore Heather Newton

Well, we are into our third month of the year. The Crab Feed was a very successful event and every one had a great time. I would like to thank the Babos, Browns, Maceys, and everyone else who chipped in. The time and energy they all put into it made it a success. We also had a great raffle that everyone enjoyed.

Congratulations to Rhonda for winning the wheel spin at the February meeting.

This month, we are all looking forward to the famous Saint Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage meal. This event is one of my favorites. We will also have our famous drinking contest. Come out and join in the fun!

Don't forget Boys Night Out every Wednesday. The menu is posted on the Sportsmen website by Monday every week.

I wanted to remind everyone that we depend on our members to volunteer to keep our Club running. You could say it takes a village, so if you have any time, we have plenty of projects that need to be done.

See you all at the Club.

PICYA Spring Leadership Conference

Saturday, March 21st

At Martinez YC

0830 Registration & Continental Breakfast

0900 Meeting begins

Included in the morning presentations will be the PICYA Scholarship Program, RBOC Activities, California State Parks and California Coastal Commission, Clean Water Act, Sacramento YC Dredge, and Overview of Dredging Issues.

1215 Lunch

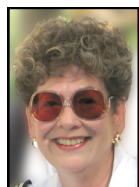
The afternoon presentations will include Army Corps of Engineers, California ABC, and suggestions for the Fall Management Conference.

All club officers and members interested in yacht club leadership should attend this conference.

Cost is \$25

Registration Deadline: March 16th

Go to PICYA.org to register and pay online.



PICYA NEWS

DARLENE DAWSON

2020 PICYA CALENDAR

Mar 2	Delegates' Meeting Stockton YC	Apr 6	Delegates' Meeting Berkeley YC
Mar 21	Leadership Conference Martinez YC	Apr 26	PICYA's Opening Day on the Bay

History of RBOC—Advocacy Since 1968

Back in 1965 several concerned boaters in Northern California, led by Ward Cleaveland, formed an organization they called Boat Owners Associated Together, Inc. By connecting with like-minded boaters, commodores of yacht clubs, and others, they organization incorporated as a statewide group in 1968—hence our 46th anniversary.

In 1971, these boaters hired a professional legislative attorney, Jerry Desmond, who provided guidance and knowledge as the group waded through the many bills that were affecting recreational boating.

The large east coast marine associated organization, The Boat Owners Associated Together, Inc.'s name seemed to cause some confusion here on the West Coast. So, the West Coast group decided to change their name in 1982 to reflect their efforts and became Recreational Boaters of California—RBOC!

As BoatU.S. grew and became a more nationally recognized organization and a presence in California, both organizations realized they could benefit one another, and so a cooperative working agreement was reached in 1992. RBOC would provide important information and efforts on California boating legislation to BoatU.S., and BoatU.S. would provide RBOC with information and as it actively engaged on federal legislative issues. A great partnership has evolved between the organizations.



HISTORIAN'S NOTES

MATT TATE

Continuing on from last month's History of Sportsmen Yacht Club, here is Part 3 from a Sportsmen "Bulletin" dated March 1975:

"Last month's article showed how an idea in the minds of a few creative sportsmen, coupled with hard work and enthusiasm, stimulated a functional Sportsmen organization; an organization complete with its own leased recreational area.

At this point in their history, Sportsmen Inc. had advanced to a material stage far beyond the average accommodations of similar groups. These men could well have laid aside their tools of arduous labor and basked in the sunshine of their triumphal accomplishments. However, these hearty pioneers of the early 1930s were ever restless to improve their lot. Casting their eyes around for further potentialities, they hit on a novel scheme: to purchase a moveable clubhouse. This was accomplished with the purchase of the ferry boat "Sausalito." The Sausalito was a stout mass of timbers and wood built in 1894 by the Fulton Iron Works at North Beach, (now the Marina) in San Francisco. The vessel was designed by J. Dickie for the Northwestern Pacific Railroad. She was a wooden hull boat with a copper sheathed bottom measuring 256 feet one inch overall length and 68 feet beam over guards. Ordinarily, she carried passengers in the day and freight cars at night between San Francisco and Sausalito. She had a seating capacity of 1300 and was fitted with narrow gauge tracks. In 1903, the tracks were removed and the seating capacity was increased to 1500 and she continued in passenger service between the same points until her retirement in 1931."

History Part 4 next month.





Sportsmen YC

2020 Fishing Derby Update

(as of February 20, 2020)

We have 23 people entered so far in the Derby.

- * There is \$340 total in this Derby so far.
- * Rules are posted at the Club.
- * Associates are welcome to participate in the Derby.
- * Three categories: Strippers, Sturgeon, and Catfish.
- * Cost is \$5.00 per category; you do not need to be entered in all categories.
- * Awards for 2020 will be made in January 2021.
- * A complete list of our rules is posted on the bulletin board near the lists of those entered in the annual derby.

We have no fish on the board yet. The Antioch High School Derby is almost here. If you're planning to fish this derby, you will want to get your money turned in for our year-long derby before you go out to fish. Our Derby is only \$15 for all three categories and it runs through New Year's Eve (December 31, 2020). To put this in perspective, it's 4.1 cents per day or \$1.25 per month—which means it's less than a drink at our bar. Good luck to us all!

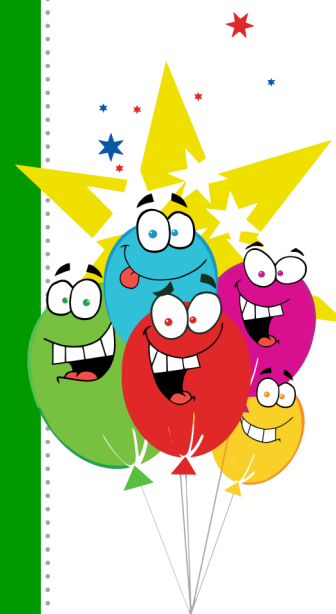
Join the 2020 Derby!

"Get signed up and paid before going fishing. Don't be like so many each year who catch before entering and miss out."

Jim Dawson

March Birthdays

Mar 01 Al Alcorn
 Mar 02 Jerry Redfern
 Mar 02 Russ Abbott
 Mar 04 Jacqueline Ridolfi
 Mar 04 Len Adkerson
 Mar 04 Robert Babo
 Mar 05 Morris Lum
 Mar 06 Louie Rocha
 Mar 07 Ed Petersen
 Mar 07 Joe Fray
 Mar 07 Michelle Buchholz
 Mar 10 Diane Essary
 Mar 10 Jim Arnold
 Mar 14 Sue Chinn
 Mar 15 Larry Hamilton
 Mar 17 Dennis Higgins
 Mar 21 Albert Perez
 Mar 23 Jason Turpin
 Mar 23 Mark Anthony Tadiello
 Mar 23 Paul Bernhardt
 Mar 23 Rhonda Hanson
 Mar 26 Bud Dicristina
 Mar 26 Rudy Trautner
 Mar 27 Elsie Campo
 Mar 27 Matt Tate
 Mar 29 William Odum
 Mar 30 Elaine Brown
 Mar 30 Gary Abeyta
 Mar 30 Janet Buckley
 Mar 30 Jennifer Tate
 Mar 30 Kathy Kaiwi



Save the Date!

Opening Day Boat Parade (Antioch)

Saturday, April 4th

Hosted by Bridge Marina YC

*More details as soon as available
 on our Website and in the April Newsletter.*



Game Night!



Friday, March 27th

- 6:30 p.m. A selection of soups, salad, & French bread
 7:00 p.m. Poker & other games
 \$7 See Becky Wilson with questions

Please make reservations by the Thursday before the event. Reservations can be made ONLINE or call Ann.

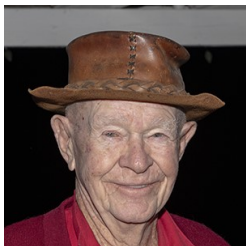
Thank You!

**Sportsmen Yacht
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 The Delta's Best
 Kept Secret!!**



**Invite Your Friends
 To Visit Our Club...
 And Join!**

In Memory Of Tom Gaines



Tom Gaines passed away February 17, 2020, following a brief illness. Tom joined our Club last year and had recently found out his heart was failing. He was 93 years old. In the resignation letter he recently submitted, he said he felt "honored to have been accepted as a member" to Sportsmen Yacht Club.

Tom was a veteran of WWII and, as Bill Moore recently stated, "even at 93, (he) could still show all of us a thing or two about handling boats in the 40-foot range." He was also a member of Diablo Yacht Club for many years. Again, quoting Bill, "We are blessed to have known him as a friend and will always honor his memory."

If we find out about a Celebration of Life in Tom's honor, we will let you know. Our sincere sympathy to Tom's daughter, Chris Gaines, and their family.



FLEET CAPTAIN'S COMMENTS

ROSS COOPER

Ahoy!

It has been a cold dreary winter and it is time to do some cruising. We are heading to Marina West at OxBow Marina on April 17th-19th. So, dust off your Burgee and let's make Sportsmen proud. If you have never been there, they have a nice clubhouse and pool. Their hospitality is always superb and a good time will be had by all. The sign up sheet will be up the second week of March. Land lubbers are welcome to attend by land yacht if so desired. Looking forward to a great time. Hope to see you there.

Remember: "The only thing that works on an old boat is the owner!"

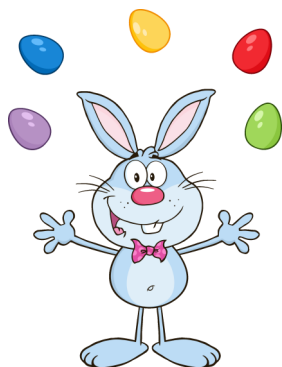
BOYS' NIGHT OUT EVERY WEDNESDAY!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

**THE MENU IS POSTED ON OUR WEB SITE
BY THE MONDAY AFTERNOON PRIOR TO
THAT WEDNESDAY'S DINNER.**

\$5- NO RESERVATIONS NECESSARY

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PREPARE ONE OF
THESE DINNERS, PLEASE CONTACT DAN
GORMAN AT 813-1753**



Mark Your Calendar!

Easter Egg Hunt & Breakfast Brunch

Saturday, April 11th

*More details will be posted on the web site and
in next month's Newsletter.*

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St. Patrick's Dinner
Saturday, March 14th
6 p.m. Beer Drinking Contest
7 p.m. Corned Beef Dinner \$20
Music and Dancing following dinner
Make your reservations ONLINE
or call Ann at 779-9330
Reservations due by March 8th